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AGENDA ITEM 4 COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Remote Meeting of Acton Community Council held Wednesday 20 March 2024 held remotely via Zoom.

Present:

Councillor	Kevin Roberts (Chair) Councillor		R Hardy (Vice Chair)	
u	W Baldwin	"	Ms C Jarvis	
u	Mrs C Bettley	"	P Lloyd	
u	M Davies	"	Ms B Martin	
u	Ms S Edwards *	"	Ms K Speirs *	
u	Mrs A Evans	"	Ms D Wallice *	
u	A Gallanders	0	2 Vacancies	
0	Ms H Hewitt			

* Absent

Also Present:

Mrs Carole Roberts & Mrs Michelle Williams Clerk & Administrative Assistant to the Council Mrs Liz Painter

134. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms D Wallice, Ms S Edwards and Ms K Spiers.

RESOLVED – that the apologies and reasons for absence be received and accepted.

135. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present at the meeting to make any representations as set out in Standing Order No. 3d.

136. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at this stage of the proceedings

137. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. The Minutes of the hybrid Council meeting held on the 21 February 2024 were received.

RESOLVED - that the Minutes of the hybrid Council Meeting held on 21 February 2024 be received and confirmed as a correct record.

2. The Minutes of the hybrid Youth Committee meeting held on 28 February 2024 were received.

RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the Youth Committee Meeting held on 28 February 2024 be received and noted.

138. INFORMATION FROM 21 FEBRUARY 2024 MINUTES

1) MINUTE 126- COMMUNITY AGENT: The Chair provided an update to Members following his attendance at the poorly attended Rainbow Foundation Stakeholder Meeting. There was no provision in the Wrexham CBC contract with the Rainbow Foundation for Agents to transport Clients to events; however the Rainbow minibuses are available for use subject to reimbursement

of fuel costs from the users. There is no financial provision for events, apart from some seed money to get events up and running. Ian Pope had explained the Rainbow Foundation do have a staff policy for claiming expenses, such as mileage and that he would ensure that all staff were aware of, and, understood the policy. The Chair and Councillor Baldwin had met with the Wrexham CBC Officer who managed the contract and this would be an ongoing process.

RESOLVED – that the Chair, Vice Chair and the Clerk have a further meeting with Ian Pope and to discuss concerns about the service and a wish to have more input on the Community Agent agenda and report back to Members in due course.

2) MINUTE 127 -AVOW WELLBEING HUB: The Clerk informed Members about an AVOW suggestion received following last month's presentation, for a coffee morning be held on Wednesday 8 May 2024 in Acton Community Resource Centre to coincide with when the CAB Outreach service holds its sessions, and that an invitation be extended to the Community Agent, Mandy Woodfine-Jones to attend. Members discussed the possibility of booking a room or the cafe area. The Clerk advised caution from a budget perspective as no provision had been made for a Hub Initiative. As a way forward it was suggested that AVOW be signposted to staff at Acton Community Resource Centre to try to arrange a booking. The Chair indicated that he would consider funding the initial Acton Hub meeting from his Charity Account.

RESOLVED – that the Clerk respond to the request indicating the Community Council's support for AVOW and advising they should seek to book a room via Wrexham CBC free of charge.

3) MINUTE 128.1 - INTERNAL AUDIT: The Clerk informed Members that the Internal Auditors had been in contact with her, and she was seeking to arrange a date for the Internal Audit.

139. COMMUNITY POLICING MATTERS

As per the North Wales Police policy on Zoom meetings there were no Police Officers present at the meeting. No information had been received on the effectiveness of the 20mph speed limit, however it was noted that enforcement had only recently started. The Chair confirmed that he had received the latest Crime statistics for the Acton ward.

RESOLVED – that the present positon be noted and the Chair arrange for the crime statistics he had received to be circulated to Members after the meeting.

140. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Members considered a report from the Clerk on the following matters:

1. S116 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE 2011: CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS TO FILL THE CASUAL COUNCILLOR VACANCY IN THE RHOSNESNI WARD: Members noted that in only one suitably qualified person had expressed an interest in putting their name forward for co-option to fill the vacancy. A copy of the application had been circulated prior to the meeting. Members proceeded to consider the application and invited the applicant to give a short address to the meeting in support of her application. Members then proceeded to consider the filling of this vacancy by a show of hands.

RESOLVED – that unanimously, Liz Painter, of 31 Camberley Drive, Wrexham be co-opted as a Member of the Community Council to fill the casual vacancy for the Rhosnesni Ward on the Council and the Clerk arrange to witness her acceptance of Office and for her to receive and Induction.

2. SECTION 116 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE 2011: CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS TO FILL THE CASUAL COUNCILLOR VACANCY IN ACTON CENTRAL WARD: It was noted the Returning Officer had confirmed to the Clerk that there had been no response to the Notice inviting electors to call an election to fill the Casual Councillor Vacancy in the Acton Central Ward. The Community Council must now arrange to fill the vacancy by co-option. It is a legal requirement to advertise the vacancy.

RESOLVED – that

- *i)* the Clerk proceed to advertise by Public Notice, the Council's intention to fill this Casual vacancy in the Acton Central Ward by co-option and any nominations received from eligible persons to be considered at the Annual Community Council meeting to be held on 15 May 2024.
- *ii) Members of the Community Council circulate and promote links to the Notice of Co-Option via their Social Media channels.*
- 3. ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY GOVERNOR ALEXANDRA CP SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY: Following the resignation of Councillor Phillip Lloyd, the Clerk to the Governing Body of Alexandra CP School, has requested that the Community Council appoint someone else to replace him. Members discussed the vacancy and Councillor Holly Hewitt volunteered to take over from Councillor Phillip Lloyd.

RESOLVED – that

- *i)* Councillor Holly Hewitt be appointed to the role of additional Community Governor to Alexandra CP School Governing Body.
- *ii) The Clerk provides Councillor Hewitt's contact details to the Clerk to the Governing Body of Alexandra CP School.*
- **4. COMMUNITY AGENT:** The Community Agent's report highlighting February outcomes was received and noted.
- 5. INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES (IRPW) ANNUAL REPORT FEBRUARY 2024: In accordance with the requirements of Section 147 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 the Panel have issued its Annual report. Members considered the detail of this Report and the required determinations in response. The report was available online by following this hyperlink: Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales's Annual Report, February 2024. It was noted that all other Determinations set out in 2022 to 2023 and 2023 to 2024 remain valid and should be applied.

RESOLVED – to receive and accept the Annual Report – February 2024 of the Independent Remuneration Panel and to note the range and maximum Allowances payable for Community and Town Councils in Group 2 as apply to Acton Community Council for the Financial Year 2023/24 and to confirm the Council has considered and applied the Remuneration Framework by its relevant Group as set out below.

Group 2	(Electorate 10,000 to 13,999)
Extra Costs Payment	Mandatory for all members
Senior Role Payment	Mandatory for 1 member; optional up to 5
Mayor or Chair	Optional
Deputy Mayor or Vice Chair	Optional
Attendance Allowance	Optional
Financial Loss	Optional
Travel and Subsistence	Optional
Cost of Care or Personal assistance	Mandatory

1. EXTRA COSTS PAYMENT: To note this mandatory requirement and to make available a Basic payment to each member of £156 pa as a contribution to costs and expenses and to confirm that a sum of £52 per year to cover the cost of office consumables when carrying out their role shall be paid to each member of the Council unless they advise the appropriate Officer in writing that they do not want to take theses mandatory payments. 2. SENIOR ROLE PAYMENT(S): To make this Mandatory requirement available to the Chair (1 member only) at an amount of £500; unless the Chair advises the appropriate Officer that they do not want to take it in writing;

3. CIVIC PAYMENT OF UP TO £1,500 TO THE MAYOR/CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL to undertake the functions of that office – Not to adopt this provision

4. CIVIC PAYMENT OF UP TO £500 TO THE DEPUTY MAYOR/ DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL to undertake the functions of that office – Not to adopt this provision

5. ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCE Each council can decide to introduce an attendance allowance for members. The amount of each payment must not exceed £30. A member in receipt of financial loss compensation will not be entitled to claim attendance allowance for the same event. Councils that intend to introduce an attendance allowance must set out the details of the scheme and publish them on their website - Not to adopt this provision;

6. AUTHORISATION TO PAY FINANCIAL LOSS COMPENSATION to each of the Council's members where it can be demonstrated such loss has actually occurred for attending approved duties as follows:

- Up to £55.50 for each period not exceeding 4 hours
- Up to £110.00 for each period exceeding 4 hours but not exceeding 24 hours

7. REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL COSTS when undertaking approved duties: To adopt this provision subject to payments being the actual costs of travel by public transport or the HMRC mileage allowances as below:

- 45p per mile up to 10,000 miles in the year.
- 25p per mile over 10,000 miles.
- 5p per passenger per mile passenger supplement.
- 24p per mile for private motor cycles.
- 20p per mile for bicycles.

8. REIMBURSEMENT OF OVERNIGHT SUBSISTENCE when undertaking approved duties: To adopt this provision and to authorise reimbursement of subsistence expenses to members at the maximum rates set out below on the basis of receipted claims:

- £28 per 24-hour period allowance for meals, including breakfast where not provided.
- £200 London overnight.
- £95 elsewhere overnight.
- £30 staying with friends and/or family overnight.

9. COST OF CARE OR PERSONAL ASSISTANCE ALLOWANCE – This provision is mandatory for Councils in Group 2. All relevant authorities must provide a payment towards necessary costs for the care of dependent children and adults (provided by informal or formal carers) and for personal assistance needs as follows:

- Formal (registered with Care Inspectorate Wales) care costs to be paid as evidenced.
- Informal (unregistered) care costs to be paid up to a maximum rate equivalent to <u>hourly rates as</u> <u>defined by the Living Wage Foundation</u> at the time the costs are incurred.

The Care Allowance must be for the additional costs incurred by members to enable them to carry out official business or approved duties. Each authority must ensure that any payments made are appropriately linked to official business or approved duty. Payment shall only be made on production of receipts from the care provider.

10. MEMBERS IN RECEIPT OF A BAND 1 OR BAND 2 SENIOR SALARY FROM A PRINCIPAL COUNCIL (that is leader, deputy leader or executive member) states that they cannot receive any payment from any community or town council, other than travel and subsistence expenses and contribution towards costs of care and personal assistance.

6. CONVERSION OF ACCOUNTS TO AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BASIS: The Clerk advised arrangements were underway for RIALTAS to undertake work in early June 2024 to convert the Council's Alpha Accounting Software package from Receipts and Payments to Income and Expenditure. This will require a backup of all data including the prior years' data, and Rialtas will update the accounts so that the Council's VAT, debtors, creditors, Accruals, receipts in advance and Prepayment are all recorded in the accounts for I&E Reporting. The cost for this conversion work will be £565 plus vat.

RESOLVED that -the Clerk be authorised to arrange for this work to be completed at the cost now stated.

- **7. AUDIT NOTICE 2024**: The Clerk has now received notification of the detailed audit requirements of the External Auditor. Members noted that the Audit would commence on 20 July 2024.
- 8. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 AND RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR 2023/24: Members were reminded that due to the Clerk's sickness absence and using annual leave, there had been no capacity since her return to work to carry out the Annual Risk Assessment for the year ended 31 March 2023. The last such detailed report for the year ended 31 March 2022 was reported to the February 2023 Council meeting (Minute 139.3 refers). Going forward the Clerk expects to complete the Statement of Accounts and Annual Risk Assessment as part of the Audit process and report each year to the May/June meeting of the Council.

RESOLVED – that under the circumstances, the Council agrees to an extension for the Clerk to complete this overdue Report and the Annual Risk Assessment for 2022/23 and present it to the April 2024 meeting of the Council.

141. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & PROGRESSION OF ANNUAL REPORT PRIORITIES:

- 1. EVENTS AT ACTON PARK: Members noted works had been carried out by the Ranger and Friends group to the pathways at Acton Park. In respect of the forthcoming Easter Event which had been widely promoted on Social Media it was noted that the Coffee Van would no longer be available. Members proposed that £50 be allocated to provide Easter Egg prizes should the Ranger need them. The Chair informed Members that the decorative metal fish statue on Acton Park Lake was to be removed from the island at the centre as the island was subsiding. It is to be re-sited at Commonwood Fisheries.
- 2. Gazebo for Park events: Consideration was given to information provided by Councillor Hardy on the cost of purchasing a Gazebo to be used at Acton Park Events. A three metre by three metre Gazebo, including four sides would cost £500. Printing and a logo would cost an additional £100 and 4 corner weights would cost £120.

RESOLVED – that

- *i)* £50 out of the Chair's Charity Account be allocated for the purchase of Easter Eggs to be used as prizes at the Easter Event, if the Ranger needs them.
- *ii)* The Gazebo now referred to be purchased from within the Community Facilities Budget and stored by the Acton Park Ranger at the Cunliffe Bowling Club Premises where she is based...
- 3. PROGRESS OF ANNUAL REPORT PRIORITIES: Councillors Hardy and Edwards had updated the Annual Report, combining the existing content of the Annual report and making new reference to the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 to demonstrate how the Council's work contributes to the objectives set out in it. The Clerk suggested adding the current year approved Budget within the Annual Report for transparency and openness so that Members of the public can see where the Precept is being spent. It was noted the Administration Assistant is updating the Training Plan to reflect in year training completed. The Clerk referred to the Annual Plan Priority for a new Play area in Acton Park Park. In particular Members were reminded of the

Terms of Reference for the Acton Play Areas Task and Finish Group, that it was set up to report back to the Community Council on the three Playgrounds in the Acton Community.

RESOLVED – to thank the Councillors for their input to the Annual report and the Clerk now update and refresh the report with the Financial information, Key Policies, Training Plan and additional Wellbeing matrix items as now discussed.

142. KEY ACTON ISSUES

WCBC Members reported verbally on any new or key issues being considered by the County Borough Council that may affect the whole or part of the Community of Acton as follows:

- **1. THE GROVES:** Members noted that there had been no response as yet on the proposal to turn the building into a Museum from the Welsh Government.
- 2. LITTER PICK: Following complaints from Members of the Public about litter, some Members had carried out a litter pick in the local area.
- **3.** WREXHAM CBC RECYCLING TARGETS: These targets are to be increased by Welsh Government. Wrexham CBC are currently meeting these targets, but might not in the future resulting in large fines of up to £500,000; this could have financial implications for Wrexham CBC.
- 4. **MANAGEMENT STRATEGY PLAN:** It was noted that this document includes reference to the Groves and Nine Acre Field and there was movement in respect of the Little Acton Community Centre and the Heads of Terms for a lease or potential for rental of the building. The Community Council may be contacted shortly.

The updates were noted.

143. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Members considered the Clerk's report detailing the Council's Policy to apportion the annual £10,000 budget equally between each of the quarterly meetings. Members then proceeded to consider the four applications received during the present quarter and whether the Council wished to make a grant to the applicants under the provisions of Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. Regard was given to the number of Acton residents catered for by the applicants.

Organisation	Details	Decision
1.Acton Rainbows	Support to subsidise annual membership fees payable to Girlguiding UK (£56 per person in 2024), to cover increased weekly rent and to continue to offer a varied programme of crafts, themed activities, challenge badges and external visits for the group	£500.00
2. Urdd Fund for all	Contribution to allow children and young people who live in poverty to have a summer holiday at one of the Urdd's res- idential Centres	£200.00
3. Miners Rescue Project	It is the 90th anniversary of the 1934 Gresford Colliery Disaster in which 266 people died in 1934. A grant is sought towards the cost of design, producing and printing of leaflets and general running costs.	£500.00
4.Wrexham National Eisteddfod 2025	Support sought this year and in the next financial year, to help achieve a local target of £400,000. All contributions, big or small, will go entirely to the Wrexham Fund and to the work of the Eisteddfod locally.	£500.00

RESOLVED – that the following Financial Assistance grants be made under the Council's Powers contained in Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) :-

Organisation	Details	Decision
	TOTAL	£1,700.00

144. REPORT FROM CLERK

The Council received a report from the Clerk detailing correspondence and other information that has been received since the last meeting as follows:

Organisation	Details	
CONSULTATIONS:		
1. Wrexham CBC	City Centre Traffic: email dated 23 February 2024 with a link to a	
	consultation on the proposed changes to the Traffic Regulation Orders in	
	Wrexham City Centre. This closes on 25 March 2024.	
	https://www.yourvoicewrexham.com/survey/2055 Received and noted	
CORRESPONDENCE		
1. Office of Sarah	Wales' Local Places for Nature Capital Fund Reopens for Applications:	
Atherton MP	email dated 16 February 2024 with links	
	https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding/local-places-nature to	
	information on this grant. Information noted	
2. Play Wales	1. Consultation on the professional registration of playworkers – our	
	response: email dated 21 February 2024 with a link to download Play Wales'	
	draft response to Play Wales draft response to the Welsh Government	
	consultation on the professional registration of play workers.	
	2. New play deprivation information sheet: email dated 27 February 2024	
	with a link to a new information sheet on play deprivation.	
	3. New magazine: Playing and being well – revisited: email dated 1 March	
	2024 with a link to the new Playing and Being Well Magazine.	
	4. Survey – Tell us what you think about our information service: email	
	dated 5 March 2024 requesting completion of a survey. Information noted	
3. Planning Aid	1. Latest news from Planning Aid Wales: email dated 22 February 2024 with	
Wales	the February newsletter from Planning Aid Wales.	
	2. Latest news from Planning Aid Wales: email dated 29 February 2024 with	
_	the latest Newsletter. Information noted	
4. Mentor Mon	February Smart Towns Newsletter: email dated 28 February 2024 with an	
	invitation to attend the first Smart Towns Conference which is being held in	
_	Ty Pawb in Wrexham on Friday 15 March 2024 Information noted	
5. Welsh	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - February	
Government	2024: email dated 29 February 2024 with a link	
	https://www.gov.wales/independent-remuneration-panel-wales-annual-	
	report-2024-2025 to the annual report. Information noted	
6. One Voice Wales	Tiny Forest funding is open! 21 st Feb – 8 th May: email dated 29 February	
	2024 with information on grant funding available. <i>Information noted</i>	
7. Cadwyn Clwyd	CAPITAL FUNDING: email dated 4 March 2024 with information on grants	
	available via PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES WREXHAM – Key Fund CAPITAL	
	GRANTS Information noted	

145. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Clerk reported on Payments received and bank charges made since 21 February 2024, and requested authorisation for outstanding debtor or other cheque, BACS and debit card payments as set out in the schedule below:

TRANSFERS – The Clerk proposed movement of a sum of £4,400.00 to the Money Market (Earmarked Reserve) Account from the Deposit (General Fund) Account for the Little Acton Community Centre Refurbishment Fund.

RESOLVED – to approve the making of payments for April 2024 as set out in the schedule below as reported to the Meeting; and to note the payments received; and to authorise the Clerk to arrange a transfer of £4,400 to the Earmarked Reserve for the refurbishment of the Little Acton Community Centre from the Council's Deposit Account to the Money Market Account which holds the Council's Earmarked reserves:-

Voucher/Payment Ref &	Details	Amount
Payee		
131. BACS ref 56.2.24	Storage cupboard for Little Acton Community Centre	£406.80
Viking Office Ltd	S112 Local Government Act 1072 (as amended)	(Vat = £67.80)
132. BACS ref 57.3.24	Salary and office expenses for March 2024 calculated by	(as per payroll
Carole Roberts	the Council's Agent: Shropshire County Council in	schedule)
	accordance with Minute 47 July 2017	
	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
133. BACS ref 58.3.24	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Mr R Hardy	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
134. Cheque No 202348	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Mr P Lloyd	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
135. BACS ref 59.3.24	Salary for March 2024 calculated by the Council's Agent:	(as per payroll
Michelle Williams	Shropshire County Council in accordance with Minute 47	schedule)
	July 2017	
	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
136. BACS ref B60.3.24	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Mr A Gallanders	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
137. BACS ref B61.3.24	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Mrs HM Hewitt	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
138. BACS ref B62.3.24	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Miss K Speirs	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
139. BACS ref B63.3.24	Members Annual Allowance for 2023/24	(as per Payroll
Mr J K Roberts	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule)
140. BACS ref B64.3.24	Pension payments for March 2024	(as per Payroll
Clwyd Pension Fund	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule
141. BACS ref B65.3.24	Payroll payments for March 2024	(as per Payroll
HMRC	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	schedule
142. BACS ref B66.3.24	Biennial fee gov.uk domain name	£76.00
Vision ICT Ltd	Section 58 Local Government (Democracy)(Wales) Act	(Vat= £13.00)
	2013	
143. BACS ref B67.3.24	Website Hosting + Support to April 2024 & Email Hosting	£710.40
Vision ICT Ltd	Section 58 Local Government (Democracy)(Wales) Act	(Vat= £118.40)
	2013	
144. BACS ref B69.3.24	Training Fees for January 2024	£78.00
One Voice Wales	Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976	(Vat= £0)
145. BACS ref B69.3.24	2024/25 Membership Fee (5725@39p per dwelling)	£2,341.00
One Voice Wales	Section 112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	(Vat = £0)
146. BACS 70.3.24	Supply & Fit Gate closing mechanism Acton Park	£530.47
Wrexham County Borough	Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)	(Vat= £88.41)
Council	Act 1976	

147. BACS 71.3.24	Supply & Fit Gate replacement flat seat to swing at Acton	£78.50
Wrexham County Borough	Park	(Vat= £13.08)
Council	Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)	
	Act 1976	
148. BACS 72.3.24	Q4 SLA Costs 3x School Crossing Patrols	£3,499.42
Wrexham County Borough	S137 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	(Vat= £0.00)
Council		
149. Cheque No: 202349	SLA Play Services 2023/24	£8,237.36
Wrexham County Borough	Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)	(Vat= £0.00)
Council	Act 1976	
150. BACS 73.3.24	2023/24 Sla costs for CCTV transmission +service Charge	£2,160.00
Wrexham County Borough	Section 19 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions)	(Vat= £360.00)
Council	Act 1976	
151. DC 12.2.24	Zoom Subscription from 19 March 2024	£15.59
Zoom	S112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	(VAT= £2.60)
152. Cheque No 202350	Clerks Expenses for March 2024	£15.00
Carole Roberts	S112 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	(VAT=£0.00)
153. Cheque No 202351	Financial Assistance/Grant	£500.00
1 st Acton Rainbows	S137 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
154. Cheque No 202352	Financial Assistance/Grant	£200.00
Urdd Gobaith Cymru	S137 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
155. Cheque No 202353	Financial Assistance/Grant	£500.00
Wrexham Miners Project	S137 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
156. Cheque No 202354	Financial Assistance/Grant to support 2-9 August 2025	£500.00
Eisteddfod Wrexham	Wrexham Eisteddfod	
	S137 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	
Chairs Charity Account		
CCA 8.23/24	Memorial Handkerchief Tree at Acton Park	£354.00
Wrexham County Borough	S15 Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)	(vat £59.00)

146. PLANNING RELATED MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

Council

The Council considered the following matters and applications within the Acton Community area that had been made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (to be determined by Wrexham County Borough Council):

RESOLVED - that the following observations be made on the applications as set out below:

Case Number/ Address & Proposed Development	Decision
1. Planning Application P/2024/0127 - Valid From 28/02/2024:The Firs, 5 Little Acton Drive, Wrexham, LL12 8DH - works to trees protected by tree preservation order wcbc 149	No objections subject to the Council's Arboricultural Officer being satisfied that the works are necessary and are carried out under his direction
2. 2. Planning Application P/2024/0101 - Valid From 01/03/2024: Tapley Avenue Childrens Centre, 45 Tapley Avenue, Wrexham, LL12 7UY - discharge of condition 3 (biodiversity) of planning permission p/2023/0150	Information only No observations

147. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:

RESOLVED - that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the next item of business only as it is likely that, if they were present, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960.

148. STAFFING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ADJOURNED ON 6 DECEMBER 2023 AND RECONVENED ON 13 MARCH 2024

The Confidential Minutes and recommendations from the Staffing Committee meeting adjourned on 6 December 2023 and reconvened on 13 March 2024 were received.

RESOLVED – that

- *i) the Confidential Minutes of the Staffing Committee meeting adjourned on 6 December 2023 and reconvened on 13 March 2024 be received and noted;*
- ii) the outcomes of the Clerk's appraisal be noted; and

iii) Michelle Williams the Administrative Assistant be awarded one increment from 1 April 2024.

Councillor Kevin Roberts Chair

Signed as a correct record this 17th day of April 2024

Presiding Chair